

Senate Bill No. 127

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the Assembly

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Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to add Section 5307.12 to the Labor Code, relating to workers' compensation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 127, Emmerson. Official medical fee schedule: physician services.

Existing law establishes a workers' compensation system, administered by the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation, to compensate an employee for injuries sustained in the course of his or her employment.

Existing law requires the administrative director, after public hearings, to adopt and revise periodically an official medical fee schedule that establishes reasonable maximum fees paid for medical services, other than physician services and other prescribed goods and services, in accordance with specified requirements.

Existing law, notwithstanding the above provisions, further authorizes the administrative director, after public hearings, to adopt and revise, no less frequently than biennially, an official medical fee schedule for physician services, in accordance with specified requirements.

This bill would require the administrative director, in order to keep the fee schedule for physician services appropriately updated, to annually adopt the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes, descriptors, and modifiers published by the American Medical Association.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 5307.12 is added to the Labor Code, to read:

5307.12. In order to keep the official medical fee schedule for physician services, adopted pursuant to subdivision (l) of Section 5307.1, appropriately updated to include current procedures and services, the administrative director shall annually adopt the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes, descriptors, and modifiers published by the American Medical Association.

Approved _____, 2011

Governor